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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed January 3, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

The paragraph beginning at page 4, line 27, has been amended as follows:

a1  
The system 10 also includes a plurality 30 of clients 30a-30c implemented by terminals or preferably personal computers. The clients 30a-30c are coupled to the server 12 via a network 22 which is also used to couple the remote resources (21a-21c) that supply the databases 20a-20b to the server 12. The network 22 can be any local or wide area network or an arrangement such as the Internet.

The paragraph beginning at page 5, line 2, has been amended as follows:

a2  
The clients 30a-30c are preferably smart clients. That is, using client 30c as an illustrative example, client 30c includes a client computer system 32 including a computer memory or storage media that stores a client process 36 and a set of pricing solutions 38. The set of pricing solutions 38 in one embodiment is provided from the server process 16 and comprises

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